

Review: Basics of Preparing a Sermon

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“If I could today become king or emperor, I would not give up my office as preacher.”
Martin Luther

S _____ **prayer**

Philippians 4:6 **Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.**

- Pray for _____
Psalm 51:2 **Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.**
- Pray for _____
Psalm 119:18 **Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.**

E _____ **faithfully**

2 Timothy 2:15 **Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.**

Heb 4:12 **For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.**

2 Tim 3:16 **All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.**

STEPS TO FAITHFUL STUDY:

Joshua 1:8 **Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.**

R_____ **the central idea**

Ecclesiastes 12:11 **The words of the wise are like goads, their collected sayings like firmly embedded nails--given by one Shepherd.**

“A midst in the pulpit is a fog in the pews”
Haddon Robinson

M_____ **an outline and develop**

James 1:22 **Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.**

O_____ **and illustrations**

N_____ **without conviction**

Romans 12:11 **Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.**

S_____ **with prayer**

Psalms 19:14 **May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.**

Recommended Resources:

- Haddon Robinson: Biblical Preaching
- Bryan Chapell: Christ-Centered Preaching
- John Piper: The Supremacy of God in Preaching